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PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

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In re application of:

Harada, et al.

Application No.: 09/516,052

Filed: March 1, 2000

For: LEAFY COTYLEDON1 GENES AND

THEIR USES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated May 4, 2000 for one month, from July 4, 2000 to August 4, 2000. An appropriate response in the form of a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$55.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

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